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In re Application of

Dykes et al.

Application No. 10/691,048

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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 7, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely response to the nonfinal Office Action, mailed August 17, 2005, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply. The above-identified application became abandoned on November 18, 2005. On March 3, 2006, the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b). Petitioner submitted the required reply in the form of an amendment, paid the petition fee, and made the proper statement of unintentional delay.

Accordingly, the petition is granted.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 3739.

Telephone inquiries specific to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3211. All other inquiries concerning either the examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

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